first information relating to types of said data stored in said electronic equipment, and second information that identifies inter-relationships amongst the data."

Instead, Dwyer discloses an image display system 10 in which the contents of an image are transferred to the computer 11. That is, the image itself is transferred and displayed on the monitor, and not "first information first information relating to types of said data stored in said electronic equipment" and/or "second information that identifies interrelationships amongst the data" (emphasis added), as described above and recited in claims 1, 8, 9, 10, 15, 21, 22, 23, 25, 27, 28 and 29. See, e.g., col. 4, lies 39-49. Dwyer suffers from the conventional deficiencies as described in the Applicants specification at page 3, lines 28-33.

Furthermore, the Office Action asserts that "correlation means" is disclosed by Dwyer at Figs. 1 and 2a, element 11; col. 4, lines 50+ and col. 5, lines 3+. Applicants respectfully disagree. None of these Figs. or sections teaches or suggests "correlating means for correlating said first information into units based on said second information" as recited in claims 1, 8, 9, 10, 15, 21, 22, 23, 25, 27, 28 and 29. In fact, Dwyer fails to make any mention of a "correlating means."

Suga fails to cure the deficiencies of Dwyer described above.

One of ordinary skill in the art would not have combined Dwyer in view of Suga to arrive at the Applicants' claimed invention. Such and attempt to make such a combination would thwart the intended purpose for the Applicants invention and render it inoperable. Nor is there any suggestion in either of these disclosures to teach or suggest an "input means" and/or a "correlating means."

Accordingly, the Office Action has not established a <u>prima facie</u> case of obviousness, as the applied references fail to teach or suggest the subject matter of claims 1-30. Withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) is therefore respectfully solicited.

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In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number set forth below.

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